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PROF. ELISHA MITCHELL. A CHAPTER OF HITHERTO UN-

Major Westall's Interesting Story of the Laborious Search and Suc-cessful Discovery of the Body of

a plain print of a man's shoein the damp earth that some of them supposed had been made by Dr. Mitchell. Others said that it could not be so; that two hunthe Unfortunate Scientist. It was the last week in June, 1857, and out the middle of the five months' sesared men had been all around that place sion of the school in central Swannanoa, where I was teaching, when the news came that Professor Elisha Mitchell had the Allens, said they would first go out on the ridge a few hundred yards, and

disappeared, and had possibly and very probably, lost his life somewhere on the Black Mountain. He had started on Saturday to cross the mountain to Big Tom Wilson's on Caney river, in Yancey county, and failing to return on the next Monday, as he was expected to do, his son an ddaughter, who were with him at Mr. Stepp's, and were his assistants in taking his survey of the mountain's height, sent insured to Wison's to see if any-thing was wrong. Finding that he had failed to reach that place, they at once had the alarm sounded that their father was lost. By this time, three or louddays had clapsed, and Professor Mitchell not having returned, two or three hun-dred men, from both sides of the great mountain, burried to the search. that, but bring your company along with us and examine the track and the place and see for yourselves." We soon

every day the news would come down the river, that the lost had not been found. I had not yet gone, thinking there were men enough out already, and because I had been on a trip to Mi-Mitchell only six down. because I had been on a trip to Mt. Mitchell only six days before Dr. Mitchell disappeared. But I went at last. I think it was on the morning of the eighth day after the disappearance, that two of the citizens of Swannanoa came to the school house where I was teaching, and asked me if I would adjourn my school and become one of a fresh company to go to the mountains in search of the lost man. They had been told that I had been on all sides of the Black Mountain and was quite familiar withevery face of its rugged scenery, and that they wished me to lead their company on the search. I con-sented to go as they desired, and we agreed to meet at Alexauder's at 2 p. m., on that day, with rations for three days. We met on time at the place appointed. and at sundown we entered the mountain house, as it was called, where we found a number of tired, disheartened men, who had been again unsuccessful in their search for the lost. Mr. Josse Stepp was there, and I soon found that, as he was so well acquainted with every ridge, rimlet and knob of the mountain, he had at the first assumed the command of all the forces, and had, with good judgment, divided the men into squads, with a leader to each squad, and that the search had had much system and order. Mr. Stepp then owned and lived at what is now called the Patton house at the foot of the moun-tain. Prof. Mitchell made Mr. Stepp's ouse his headquarters.
We slept and rested at the mountain

house that night as well as we could on the floor, without bed or blanket. The nights were the shortest of the year, and we were ready for business at 4 o'clock next morning. At the order of Mr. Stepp to get rendy to march, the men begar to hang up their knapsacks and pro-vision bags to nails and pegs in the walls of the house, but I swong mine to my back. Mr. Stepp came to me and said: "You must not try to carry that load with you; just take a sinck in your pocket. That is the way we have been doing, for we always come back here at might." "Mr. Stepp," I answered, "I came out to hunt br. Mitchell, and I don't know where I shall be when night comes, but I am going to take all my provisions along."

The whole company was conducted by Mr. Stepp to a bench of the mountain where a ridge diverges toward the Ivy side, and a halt was called for a division of forces. We were then not more thores that he had found to me to come there, that he had found to me to come there, that he had found to more stores. We were then not more than a mine company with Stepp was at least five miles from where we as at least five miles from where we are the major to have a five and the seventh or eighth day since br. Mitchell disappeared; there had been frequent showers, moss covered and been frequent showers, moss covered to the provisions along."

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side, and a hait was called for a division of forces. We were then not more than eight hundred yards from the first knob of the Black, where the county lines of Buncombe and Yancey corner. There Mr. Stepp divided his force into squads, over which he appointed leaders. There were a few men that he thought not able to stand hardships, that he formed into that ran down to our right. Just before a company, and as I was a school teacher, a supposed I would be a proper leader m; so he told me to take charge of Mr. Calvin Patton who was afflicted with asthma and R. C. Patton whose with a state of the patton whose whose with a state of the patton whose with a state of the patton whose with a state of the patton whose whose whose with a state of the patton whose with a state of the patton whose whose with a state of the patton whose with a state of the patton whose with a state of the patton whose wh refused at first to go with any one else till Mr. Stepp told them that he had appointed me to take charge of the "in-way valid" corps, when they all gave in but see, a young man, William Borgin, who de-clared that he had solicited me to come, and that he would go with no one eise. the head of the fall, where we saw th I then had three men with me, and I was directed to go to the top of the first the soil where something undoubtedly knob and then hunt around it at a radius had gone over. Wilson and the other of about four hundred yards from its two men had gone round to the left, and

Mr. Stepp then left us, and with all but Paston called out to Wilson: "He is in my sound of four, went to the left, where most immediately, "youder fies his hat lodged on some brush," were to search in regions not vehe went over. gone over. After they had gone I started off in the path that leads by the first shon the left toward what is now path four or five hundred yards, did not disturb the body. We then went on Mr. Calvin Patton said in a tone down the stream four or five mile, where when Mr. Calvin Patton said in a tone of dissatisfaction: "Tom, where are you Wilson lived, got something to cat and were thinking of soon retiring to rest for oine? Here we are still in the path. that men have gone and come every day for a week, and we are not doing any the night, when Mr. Jesse Stepp came ac Stepp said on receipt of the news that I see we are passing the ground lave not even looked from the latter to assemble that night at the I told him that about one hundred cabin near the high peak. He then anand we have not even looked from the path." I told him that about one mandered yards further on we would find a nounced his determination to return that spring of very cold water where we night and inform the anxious, tired spring of very and have a consultation. crowd of men of our success. Mr. Patheren and have a consultation. would stop and have a consultation. After we had assuaged our thirst, I said: ton and I, though tired, determined at "Now gentlemen, I came here with you once to accompany Step and Harris to find the lost man if possible, but I am that night to the top of the mountain. not going by the direction of any man. Mr. Stepp acted as guide, and at two Mr. Stepp is not now with us; he is directing somewhere else. I am not going ell's peak, worn out by our almost con-to obey orders. My opinion is that this stant tramp over the mountains for path in which we have been walking, is twenty-two hours. Perhaps that was the way Dr. Mitelell traveled when he the first and also the last time that four started to Wilson's. I know these moun- men ever made the trip from the foot to tains, for I have been all over them and the top of the highest mountain east around them. Dr. Mitchell knew the Rockies, with the sable mantle of them too, and, as he started to go to wilson's on Caney river, he would not go any other way. One who knows the When we reached the cabin where all go any other way. One who knows the mountains would not go any other way. And, gentlemen, so far we have been and announced the fact that the lost was found, and that he was then lying at the bottom of a pool of clear mountain wa-

started again and kept the path. ter, there were many tears brushed from we started again and kept the path, ter, there were many tears or usued from the top of the long stretch of undulating ridge between the first top and the glade just under the high knob, when we lound him." And it was thirty-two glade just under the high knob, when we found him." And it was thirty heard the report of a rifle some little dis-years ago, but I still remember the tance in the direction we were going. that the That was a signal gun, and we were, in with it. less than five minutes, with the party who fired it. We there met Big Tom Wilson, Adoniram Allen and his nephew, James Allen, all from the Caney river James Alien, all from the Caney river side. They told us that their company of thirteen men, all from Caney river, had sheltered at the cabin near the high peak the night before; that they had break.

OUEBEC'S NIGHT OF WOE.

worn themselves out during the several

lays they had been hunting for the lost man; that they were out of provisions and did not think the lost man could be

ound, so their whole company had given

up the hunt in despair, and had started home. At the edge of the glade, as they

started down the mountain, they found

and it was more probable that one of them had made the track. Ten of the men then went on home, but Wilson and

ire a gun to see if any of the Buncombe

nen were in hearing. I suppose we were not more than one hundred yards apart.

when the gun was fired. As I said before, Wilson's company, all except the two Allens, had gone home, and Wilson said.

f he had not found us when he did, that they also would have gone. I asked Wil-son if he thought he had probably found

Dr. Mitchell's track, and be said it was very improbable. I told him if there

was any very reasonable probability of the fact we would send for Stepp and the whole company. He said "No, do not do

every day for nearly a week. I told Wil-son that as he had started home we

would go with him down the valley to wards his place, that it was my opinion the lost man had gone that way, and it

ne had, we would surely find other tracks

and gone about a mile when some one of

the party called out, "here is a man's track." We all ran to the place, and saw a very plain track that corresponded

to the other one and to the shoes the

fident that we were right and that we would find him. It was then about eleven o'clock, and we halted for dinner. There my provis-ions came in at the right time and place,

for Wilson and his two companions had

and nothing to eat since the day before xcept some fresh beef without salt. I

then proposed to Wilson that we all go back to the top of the mountain, and send for Stepp and all the men on the other parts of the mountain and put them all on the right track. He objected

to that, but as a substitute proposed that I send my three men to inform the others, and that I go with him home,

and that we all meet at the place next

norning where we were then. He said ne was obliged to go home that night,

and that he might on his way come across the lost man, mangled by a fall from a precipice or torn by wild beasts, and that I must go with him. I told him I would go, and then Mr. R. C. Pat-

ton said he would go too, if his brother Calvin Patton and William Burgin would go back and inform the men on the other

part of the mountain that we were on the right track, and to meet next morn-ing near that place. That was agreed

of, and we separated, the two named, going back, and the other five, Wilson, the two Allens, R. C. Patton and myself

going down the hollow towards Cancy river. The main company with Stepp

We then hurried down the creek

moss had been disturbed and scrapes in

two men had gone round to the left, and

by this time hadget in sight below. Mr.

hat pool, for here are plain marks where

I then measured the depth of the pool,

and found it to be thirteen feet, but we hid not disturb the body. We then went

companied by Mr. A. F. Harris, Mr.

we had found the trails, he had directed

"invalids" had something to do

The Reported Nayassa Riot.

Baltimore, September 20.—Captain Benson, of the bark Dom Pedro II from

T. C. WESTALL.

We all agreed to that, and I think we

THOUSANDS OF TONS OF ROCK

Upon the Houses in the Streets Re low, Entombing Several People Beneath the Ruins-The Work of

Rescue Going Forward. OURBEC, September 19.-To-night sev eral thousand tons of rock slid from Cape Diamond, at the end of Dufferin Ferrace, to Champlin street, three

ferrace, to Champin street, three hundred feet below, demolishing in its course seven dwellings. QUEBEC, September 20—1.30 a.m.— The mass of rock detached from the cliff's side of the vacant space of extraor-dinary dimensions under buffer in Terrace. and that great promenade is now unsafe. Ten corpses and sixteen wounded have

now been taken out. It will take several days to recover all the bodies. The dam-

age will exceed \$100,000.

The houses in that locality were of stone and brick, and inhabited by ship laborers, etc. Officers and men of the Ro al School of Cavalry are coming to the rescue with ropes picks and shovels. About six hundred men are may at About six hundred men are now at Three more bodies have just been work. The hore mins are list set taken from the rains. The bodies are covered with congulated blood and oust, and are sickening spectacles. The Relemptorist Fathers are among the

rescuing the victims is going on vigor-usly. Members of the Black family were buried almost twelve feet below the ourlace of the debris. On being asked if hey were safe. Mrs. Black answered My husband is killed at the doors. The vst are safe, but we are suffering from

counds and bruises on our limbs. Shortly after Miss Mary Caldwell, diack's house. Her limbs were so stiff rom inaction that the least touch on them caused intense poin. The next per-son taken out was Thos. Berrigan, whose vite was taken out of the ruins dead. He was so disfigured his friends could bardly recognize him. He was removed the Hotel Dieu hospital mattering a prayer of thanks for his miraculous es-cape. Next to follow was an eight year old boy also named Berrigan. His left leg was crushed to a jelly. Then came leg was crushed to a jelly. Then came drs. Black. Her bosom, neck and face were hadly swollen. The scene of the terrible disaster was visited by thousands who blocked up the street and made it : difficult task for any one to move in any direction. There being but one narrow street between the rock and the river there is a complete stoppage of traffic ex-cept by climbing over the debris. A large force of men are engaged in the work of searching the ruins. The shipping office in the Dominion Government building has been turned into a temporary morgne, and over twenty bodies are lying in it. It is difficult to indentify some of the bodies, so much have they been disfigured and crushed. Several of the persons reported missing have turned up, but it is thought that there will be ten or more victims to be added to the fist. A complete list of the injured cannot be

the masses of fallen rock must weigh nearly twenty tons, and there are so many huge blocks that it makes the work of clearing it very difficult. The working reaching the creek we came to a large parties this afternoon are better organized and equipped, and are making more the Union Bank are sloping rock covered with moss with scrapes in the moss as though a man had gone over it on his hands and feet. It was too steep for a man to walk down it in safety. "It was getting dark when d last night all stood on the other side he mer Rev. S. H. Jones, of Sh. them asked. "Because here is an easier way down, to the right that he did not

> as if they were made of eard board. the local government. Among those bur-ied by the rocks are a young couple named Nolan who were married couple weeks ago. Nolan could have escaped, but he lost his life in trying to get his wife out of the house.

It is thought that the King's bastion on the Citadel will have to be removed as it is now near the edge of the rock with masafe erevices in the front of it. As a precautionary measure, all communication with the bastion has been cut off, and the morning and evening guns will no longer be fired from it.

RANDOM NOTES

About 20,000 persons have visited the scene of the disaster during the day. Thousands crowded into the morgue and seized every point inside and outsic of the building where a glimpse could b had of the bodies of the victims. Many women who had obtained an entrance, had to be removed in a fainting condition, the mangled bodies being a sight to try been decided to use small charges of powder to break up the huge boulders cover-ing the roadway, as it is certain that there can be nothing living beneath them.

Not Yet Decided.

DEER PARK, Md., September 20.-The ernsion commissionership is still unset-ettled, and President Harrison thinks Major Warner the best man for the place. He is expected here to night for another conference, which the people about the President say will lead to an acceptance, as President Harrison has from the first thought Warner could be induced to accept. Gen. Lucius Fairchild is mentioned a probability should Warner and Mer-

came from Washington to-night and went at once to the President's cottage. Secretary Noble came at the President's A Correction, Vet not a Correction. with the President, but no decision was reached. Major Warner will leave Deer not Capt. Noble, the educator but Park for Kansas City to-morrow morn-

the Oak Street Inn. We learn that the as one of the pioneers in the industry respective husbands-both of whom structure will be entirely remodeled by its that some day will give North Caro- were recently killed by other men in this tions

CHICAGO REVIEW.

Business in the Grain Center During Vesterday's Session

Cincago, September 20.-To-day's re ints of wheat overran the estimate ttle, but out of seventeen cars reported of a bushel graded No. 2. This remarkthe showing for the season together with the posting of unusually large flour with the posting of unusually large nour exports at Baltimore set the pace for an-other bull turn in the pit. Opening fig-ares for the leading futures were has so above yesterday's closings, with Septemf half a million of December in large slocks at 79% by a heavy old bear oper ator who has been out of the market for ome time. The close was weak with he early advance all lost. Latest quo ations were tantse below those of yes

A very good business was transacted in corn, the market ruling active at times. Schling early was free, but as the session advanced a weaker tone was developed and trading was at lower prices. The market opened firm at "esterday's closing prices, influenced mainly by the advance in wheat and prices advanced to the prices advanced to the prices advanced. salac, but when the estimates for to-morrow became known offerings became heavy and prices declined **a**sc., ruled easy and closed **sa**sc, lower than yescerday.

Trading was a little more animated in

oats to-day, a firmer feeling prevailing early. Later, however, the demand fell off, the market became weak and prices ecceded. May received most attentional fluctuated bec.

Trading in pork was a little more act ce and the feeling was somewhat, unset ied. Near deliveries were easy early and eclined 25a35, but rallied again and

An unusually quiet feeling prevailed in lard. Offerings were small on the specu-lative account and the demand was lim-

Trading was only moderate in short bs. Near deliveries were easy early and lechned 25a35, but rallied again and

THE RECENT STORM.

Rough Experience of a Steamer on Lake Eric.

DETROIT, Mich., September 20.-The teamer City of Detroit arrived from leveland this morning after a very ough experience. No sooner had the tout left Cleveland last night than she was struck on the port side by a mon-arous wave which fairly lifted her out of the water. As the vessel proceeded, the lake became rougher, and by midnight site was laboring heavily and badly strained. The paddle box bulkheads were sprung a good deal, and a leak was discovered in their vicinity. When this information came to the passengers, of whom there were about 700, they bewhom there were about 100, they became very badly frightened and most of them douned life preservers. When the bulkheads gave way shortly after, a ter-rible panic ensued. Water was forced into the boat at every revolution of the wheel and rose rapidly. In the after saunterent hospitals and to friends' houses as soon as they were taken from the runs. The city council are now holding a special meeting to consider what the best course of action will be to consider. best course of action will be to complete the work of recovering the remaining dead. It is feared a large part of the structure of the passenger when the structure of the work of recovering the remaining dead. It is feared a large part of the structure, the passenger was the structure of the st best course of action will be to complete the work of recovering the remaining dead. It is feared a large part of the rock adjoining the site of the slide will come down, as large crevices have appeared, and the ram is still falling, and may repeat the operations which caused last night's disaster. People are moving out of threatened houses. There has been no lack of volunteers for the work at the ruins, but there is a lack of intelligent directions, as there is no person in authority. Citizensare sending in money to relieve any immediate distress among

to relieve any immediate distress among homeless women and children.

The mass of earth and rock moved is, roughly speaking, about 600 feet frontage, by eighty feet in depth. Some of renairing other damage.

An Insane Man's Frenks.

Wixchester, Va., September 20.-John residing near here, presented to-day at headway. The site of the present land check, on which the cash was relised. He shide is almost identical with that of one then went to Geo. W. Keller's hardware which occurred in 1841, when eight tore, purhased a pistol, had it loaded, buildings were crushed and thirty-two persons were killed. The houses destroy-without effect. Walking out of the store, of the roadway, and were not thought Md., pastor of the Lutheran church, put to be in danger; but the immense mass of the pistol to his face and demanded his rock swept clear across the roadway and pocketbook. The pastor refused the de cick buildings, demolishing them mand. Nolan replied, 'I don't want to set they were made of eart board.

Preparations are being made for the der the fixed gaze of Mr. Jones, dropped imerals of the killed, who will be buried in hand, and was arrested. He had

RECITMOND, Va., Sentember 20.-Col

Thos, J. Evans, one of the best kno lawyers in the State, died to-night bronsy, aged sixty-seven years. He had represented this city twice as a member of the legislature before and since the war. He was a colonel in the Confederate

Roped In by Rambling Reporters Roaming Round the City. A quarterly meeting of the church at

Skyland will be held to-morrow. The Mountain Park hotel at Hot

Springs has at present over 100 guests. beld at their lodge room on College were present, and outside of the street last night.

the armory last night.

A heavy frost is reported to have the county Thursday night. Several Ashevillians will attend the

church picnic at Autioch, thirteen miles southwest of Asheville, to-day.

Noble of Wilmington vineyard fame is listic services. another Noble. To us both are noble lina its widest fame.

THE CURRENT GAVE OUT

AND THE CAR RAN DOWN THE VERYSTEEP INCLINE

At a Terrific Rate of Speed-The Passengers Jumped Out to Save Their Lives-One was Killed and Many Others Wounded. CHATTANOGGA, Tenn., September 20.

An accident occurred this morning on the electric railroad running from the foot to the top of Mission Ridge. The ear had nearly reached the top of the very steet track, when the electric current failed and the car started down the mountain at great speed. The motor man tried to stop the car with the brakes, but failing in this, the conductor shouted to the passengers to jump from the car. The car contained fifty people, all of whom were visitors to the reunion of the Army of the Cumberland, one-half of the party being ladies. Then there was a scene of wild excitement, and a panic seizing all on board, they began leaping rapidly from the moving car down the mountain side. Five or six persons remained or the car with the conductor and motor man, and all were uninjured, as when th ond was partially removed from the en-t was stopped before reaching the foor of the Ridge, Mrs. Mary Adams, of Casey III., wife of the express agent in that city in jumping from the car, strick one o the poles carrying the electric wires, and was thrown in front of the car, and struck on the head and thrown to the side of the track; suffering injuries from which she died this afternoon. Wm Manford, of Casey, Ill., in jump-

being literally torn out. Capt. Ower Willey, of Casey, Ill., was bully hurt or the head, and it is feared he is injured in ternally. Mrs. Abram Hollingsworth of Thorntown, bid., was badly hurt or the head and about the body, not fatally J. S. Clark, of Owensville, find., was in ured, but not seriously. A. P. DeBruler of Vincennes, Ind., and wife were on the of Vincennes, Ind., and wile were on the car; Mrs. Delfruler escaped with only a scratch, and Mr. Delfruler being con-siderably bruised the arms and legs, and his head badly cut. Mrs. A. C. Addison, of Casey, Ill., was painfully bruised about the head and shoulders, but not seriously hurt. M. J. Carthill, of Prince ton, Ind., had his right shoulder dis

ng from the car, struck in a mass of arbed wire and was badly cut, one eyo

located, and it is leared received internal injuries. Mrs. D. B. Massey, shoulder dislocated and ankle sprained. Mrs. Sturtevant, of Casey, Ill, sastained in-juries about the head, but is not seriously hurt.

None of the other passengers were seriously hurt, though all had more or less bruises and scratches. The atlant cast a gloom over the visitors in the city who did not attend the barbeene at Chickamauga, and nearly all the injured left the city on trains. The officers of the company rendered every possible as-sistance to the injured, and had a full corps of surgeons on the ground lifteen minutes after the accident occurred.

The Shelby Aurora says an effort is be ng actively made to build a good hotel in the beautiful town that paper so well represents. By all means let the project be pushed to perfection. It is the best investment Shelby, or any other town with natural or business attractions can make. A really good hotel, adapted to the tastes of those who are on the wing, and fastidious by comparison of houses catering to their wants or tastes, will hold a visitor long enough to attach him to the place be visits, and induce him into investments advantageous to both sides: and if kept, well enough to acquire reputation, will draw guests from all sides. who go home to spread the fame of the place of their sojourn. Good hotels have been the great want of our small towns; and good hotels are the best workers to make our small towns big towns.

The expected frost did not come vesterlay morning, not because it was not cold nough, but because a friendly fog interosed. The mercury at half past 7 a. m. was 36°, and perhaps had been a little ower. The weather moderated yester day, and the danger is past for the pres ent. These logs, which are light, and vanish by 9 o'clock, are the great protecion to the tobacco crop and enable planters to postpone cutting even later than at lower elevation. Scarcely half the obacco in this section is yet cut.

The Asheville Tobacco Journal.

age newspaper, devoted entirely to the obacco interests of Asheville and Western North Carolina, made its initial appearance in this city vesterday afternoon It is issued weekly by the Asneville Journal Publishing Company, and is printed by THE CITIZEN Publishing Company. Mr. John A. Williams, ir., is editor of the Journal, and the subscription price is \$1 per year. We wish the enterprise

The City Council.

The regular meeting of this body was held at the City Hall last evening, Mayor A meeting of the United Workmen was Blanton presiding. All of the Aldermen committee's report on the needs The monthly inspection and drill of the of the fire department but little business Asheville Light Infantry took place at of real importance was transacted. The usual number of bills against the city, however, bobbed up serencly, were andfallen throughout the southern section of ited, ordered paid, and the Council adiourned.

Gone to Charlotte.

Mrs. Geo. W. Bell and Mrs. Amos in their works and ways, and the Lunsford have taken out letters of ad- traditions. Great improvements are being made to vineyard Noble will deserve his name ministration upon the estates of their

ASHEVILLE FIREMEN.

New Equipments to be Purchased for Their Use.

At the meeting of the City Conneil las evening, the committee appointed to investigate the needs of the city fire departnent submitted the following report:

"The committee appointed to investigate the needs of the Asheville fire depart. ment and to recommend the purchase of supplies for the same, beg leave to report that, they recommend the immediate purchase of one thousand feet of Malese Cross hose, two hand hose reels and two nozzles for use by the Hose Company and a new hand truck with equipments complete to reach to the top highest building in the city, for the Hook and Ladder Company,

This report was signed by Mayor Blauton and aldermen Leonard, Fitzpatrick and Pulliam of the committee, and upon being submitted to a ballot was carried by a vote of ayes 5; nays 1alderman Miller dissenting.

Immediately after the passage of the eport alderman Pulliam moved that a mmittee of three be appointed to purchase a suitable firebell for the use of the city, after making such inquiries and examination as may be necessary to secure, upon the best terms, a bell that will fully come up to the requirements and specifications of the said committee. On this committee the Mayor appointed ddermen Pulliam, Wolfe and Miller-

These gentlemen will at once begin toon the performance of their duties, and t will not be a long while yet before the new bell will be purchased and creeted. The fire department of a city is one

of its most valuable institutions, and in order that it may render effective service when called upon must be supplied with its work, several gentlemen in New Orproper equipments. To that end the City Council is doing all in its power to several years ago of a loan of about \$70,make the Asheville fire department as 000 made to Major Burke upon bonds, nearly perfect as it is possible to do, and the coupons of which were untouched; audicious investments made in this direct that he grew uneasy and refused to retion is an ultimate saving of money to new the note when it became due. he property owners of the city.

FOLKS YOU KNOW.

Who They Are; Where They Are, and What They Are Doing. National bank examiner S. McD. Tate. of Morganton, is in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Bryan, of New ern, are at the Battery Park.

Rev. Thos. H. Law and Miss Law, of partanburg, S. C., were at the Swannaion last night.

W. A. Smith, of Hendersonville, and Walter Simon, of New Orleans, areat the Mrs. Beverly W. Hill, son and daugh-

er, of Hot Springs, were at the Battery Park yesterday. Mr. A. W. Brownson, office manager at

the Mountain Park hotel. Hot Springs, was here yesterday. Col. W. L. Cowardin, of Richmond. Va., is at the Battery Park, as is also L.

and who have perhaps become critical N. Chisholm and James Middleton, of Charleston. Miss Mary Laxton, of Morganton,

for several weeks past, leaves for her

mer Democratic congressman from the been sought for information on the subsecond North Carolina district, was in ject, and his lips were sealed concerning Mr. Harry Lindsay and bride, nee Miss

lumphrey, of Hudson, Wis., reached the rity yesterday afternoon. Norman Me. Five Million Pounds will be Sold Loud also returned home with them

Miss Nellie LaBarbe has returned from Baltimore, where she has recently purchased a large and attractive stock of goods for her millinery establishment in Mr. Geo. T. Jones, proprietor of the

'Racket store," and Miss Bettie V. Brown have returned from the Northern markets, where they went to purchase

Capt. Thos. W. Patton and Erwin Shi-

city about ten days.

ter, Miss Lou Morrison, of Estillville, Va., and Miss Kathleen Lewis Avers, for the market, daughter of Attorney General Rufus A. Ayers, of Virginia, are visiting Mr. W.

A. Blair's family on Penland street. Dr. J. W. Lyder, of Akron, Ohio, and Mr. W. Scott Jones, of Detroit, Mich., who have been stopping at the Oak Street Inn for the past month, have returned to their respective homes. Mrs. W. Scott lones, her son Ralph, and her sister, Miss Grove, of Columbus, Ohio,

will remain at the Inn during the winter. Mr. E. B. Withers, a prominent lawyer of Danville, Va., is on a visit to the city, and is a guest of Mr. W. W. Barnard. Mr. Rev. R. G. Peason and wife of this city Withers is a native of Caswell, and some left for Charlotte on the noon train yes- years ago, we believe at the session of David Richards, of Person; B. F. Haynes, Services at the new Christian church on terday. To-day the distinguished evan- 1876-7, was a member of the House of Church street to-morrow will be congelist will begin there a series of sermons Representatives, one of the boldest, ablest, D. B. Reinhardt, of Catawba; Julian Al-Secretary Noble and Major Warner ducted by Elder M. F. Harmon, at 11 lasting one week, which will no doubt be most active and useful members of that secretary Noble and Major Warner ducted by Elder M. F. Harmon, at 11 lasting one week, which will no doubt be most active and useful members of that body. Afterwards he removed to Danville, of Lincoln; W. W. Lenoir, of Watauga. attended with very successful results. body. Afterwards he removed to Danville, From Charlotte Mr. Pearson will go to just across the line, more than half a North Henderson, Vance county, where he will Carolina town, filled up with North The Wilmington Messenger says the also conduct a week's series of evange. Carolina men, half built up by North Carolina trade, and there he rose to emi-

> The Weather To-Day. westerly winds; stationary temperature, doubtful,

LOUISIANA'S STOLEN BONDS

THE PICAYUNE TELEGRAPHS
THE DAILY CITIZEN

To Secure an Interview with Mr. H. Zubenbier Concerning an Al-leged Loan of \$70,000 to Major Burke Several Years Ago.

The New Orleans Picayune yesterday elegraphed THE CITIZEN to secure an interview with Mr. Herman Zubenbier, of New Orleans, who is now in this city, concerning what he knew of a loan made several years ago by a bank in the Cresent City of which he was at the time oresident, to Major Burke, former State reasurer of Louisiana, amounting to \$70,000, upon certain Seminary and Agricultural College bonds, which it has recently been discovered have been stolen, raudulently over-issued, and the interest fund therefrom belonging to the State of Louisiana, appropriated.

The papers have been full of the discovery since Monday, and to the Picayune belongs the credit of unearthing this sigantic fraud perpetrated upon the people of the Pelican State. It is working issiduously to make the discovery complete and also to bring the guilty parties to justice, if such a thing can now be done. To this end every person who has ver handled one of the unlucky bonds has been applied to for information conerning the same, in the hope of making, when all of the statements are gathered ogether, a complete and unbroken hisory of the bonds since their issuance by he State of Louisiana.

Mr. Zubenbier's statement, therefore, is particularly desired by the Picayune in leans having reported that Mr. Z., told THE CITIZEN searched the city for Mr.

Zubenbier, finally locating him at the Winyah Sanitarium, in the northeastern section of the city. Thither a reporter repaired, and calling upon the gentleman read the Picayune's telegram, and rejuested him to make a statement conerning the matter. This statement Mr. Zubenbier positively refused to make, beyond saying that he had no recollection at present of the affair to which the Picayune referred. Neither did he remember the incident of telling certain gentlemen of New Orleans about growing uneasy about the loan; or in fact, anything about it. He said he would not talk about the matter; he was very sick and wished to be severely let alone concerning the subject. His memory was very bad since he had become ill, and it was difficult for him to remember what had happened one day to another. He refused firmly to speak about the subject further than that he had received a telegram from New Orleans during the morning touching the matter, and the reporter retired.

Mr. Zubenbier is a very sick man, sufwho has been visiting friends in the city fering severely from lung and bronchial troubles, and it is with some difficulty that he carried on the conversation. He was vexed, it was evident, that he had he alleged loan

TOBACCO TALK.

"This year's crop of tobacco is the best on ever saw," said a prominent warehouse man to the reporter vesterday. and I am confident that the Asheville warehouses will handle over five million pounds of the leaf this season. The outlook is very gratifying, and if outside buyers-by this I mean drummers from other markets, can be prevented from buying the crops of the farmers as they stand in the barns, we may handle more tobacco than I have estimated above der returned home last evening from an The season will open about October 15, extensive European tour. Both gentle- and the new paper we have just started men are in fine health and spirits, and -The Tobacco Journal, will be a valua-A neatly printed and ably edited, eight- THE CITIZEN is indeed glad to welcome ble factor in increasing the tobacco business of Asheville. So far, but little of the President W. E. Breese of the First Na- new crop has been sold, but that which tional Bank leaves for Kansas City, Mo., has been offered, in every instance, has to-morrow afternoon to attend the an- brought good prices at the sale. The nual "ssion of the American Bankers' frost came too late to do any damage Association. He will be absent from the this year, and the consequence is the largest crop of tobacco ever Col. H. A. Morrison and grand-daugh. raised in Western North Carolina has been cured and put in prime condition

North Carolina Delegates.

Governor Fowle has appointed the following delegates from this State to the Farmers' National Congress, which meets at Montgomery, Ala., November

Delegates at Large—S. B. Alexander, of Mecklenburg; J. T. LeGrand, of Rich-mond county, and L. L. Polk, of Wake, District Delegates and Alternates: First District Delegates and Alternates: First District—W. A. B. Brauch, of Beaufort; W. R. Shannonhouse, of Perquimans, Second—Ehas Carr, of Edgecombe; W. H. S. Burgwyn, of Henderson. Third—J. B. Oliver, of Wayne; D. E. McIver, of Moore, Fourth-W. F. Green, of Fr. lin; A. W. Atwater, of Chatham. Fit of Forsyth, Sixth-J. H. Clark, of Ble N. Bennett, of Stanley. Ninth-Frank Coxe, of Buncombe: A. H

Mrs. Bobo No Better.

The condition of this most excellent nence in his profession as a Virginia law lady, who is lying critically ill at the yer, while holding fast to his old home residence of her son-in-law Hon. Thos. D. Johnston, on Grove street, had not improved at latest accounts received at this Washington, September 19.—Indica-ions for North Carolina—Fair: south. of Mrs. Bobo renders her recovery very office last evening. The extreme old age